

Remediation Report, Removal Action in Parcels 35 and 28 (Old Paint Shop and Maintenance Area), Former Defense Distribution Depot Memphis: Jacobs-Sverdrup, Inc., 2000.

All of these reports are available in the Depot's Information Repositories.

Q. When will you conduct public comment meetings for the Remedial Investigation at Dunn Field?

- A. The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) will present the findings of the Remedial Investigation for Dunn Field, including the Baseline Risk Assessment, at upcoming Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings and will be advertised in EnviroNews, on our website, and in the local newspapers. DLA will also conduct a public comment meeting on the Proposed Plan for Dunn Field in early 2002. The community will be notified of these dates once they have been confirmed.

Q. I've seen surveyors on Hays Street. Is the Depot widening Hays Street?

- A. The City of Memphis is planning to widen Hays Street, but the project is not scheduled to begin for several years. The City requires a section of Depot property along the east side of Dunn Field to complete the project. Before ownership of this property is transferred to the City, the environmental investigation and cleanup of Dunn Field must be completed. The Depot will then prepare a Finding of Suitability of Transfer (FOST) report documenting compliance with CERCLA and the completion of all required cleanup actions on the property needed to protect human health and safety. Both EPA and TDEC will review this supporting document for the final disposition of the property.

Q. I've noticed some drilling at Dunn Field. Is that part of the CWM removal?

- A. The drilling at Dunn Field is part of our Remedial Investigation of Dunn Field, which includes groundwater monitoring and soil sampling. Monitoring wells have been installed at Dunn Field and throughout the surrounding neighborhood to monitor the quality and movement of groundwater in the area. Groundwater

monitoring could continue for some time to ensure that the remedy continues to protect the health and safety of the community.

Q. Will the City and the Depot work out a schedule to minimize noise and dust when the City begins work on widening Hays?

- A. The Corps of Engineers and its contractors are required to use approved environmental practices to minimize dust and noise while conducting the cleanup at Dunn Field. These activities are monitored to ensure there is a minimum impact on our neighbors. However, the City of Memphis is responsible for all aspects of the proposed road-widening project on Hays, including scheduling the work and following the regulations outlined by the Memphis/Shelby County Health Department regarding pollution control and noise. If you have questions about the widening project, please contact the City of Memphis Mayor's Citizen Service Center at (901) 576-6500. If you have questions about the cleanup activities on Dunn Field, please contact the Depot's Community Relations Office at (901) 544-0613.

Q. When do you expect to complete the entire environmental cleanup needed at Dunn Field?

- A. The CWM removal activities at Dunn Field were completed in May 2001. The Memphis Depot environmental team is also working on the Remedial Investigation (RI) for Dunn Field. This is an in-depth scientific analysis of the environmental conditions of the area that will identify any potential risks to human health and the environment that may be associated with Depot operations at Dunn Field. The RI is scheduled to be completed and approved by the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team (BCT) in the fall of 2001. Then, a Feasibility Study will be conducted to evaluate different cleanup alternatives for Dunn Field. The preferred cleanup alternatives will be outlined in a Proposed Plan, which is scheduled to be presented to the public for comment early in 2002. □

RAB Member Profile:

Tanja Mitchell

A strong community can make a difference!

As the Office and Grants Manager for the Cooper-Young Development Corporation, Tanja Mitchell understands the value of having committed and active residents contribute to the process for positive change.

"I would love to see more Depot neighborhood residents take part in this cleanup process by attending Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meetings. Active residents are truly the way things change in a neighborhood," said Mitchell.

Mitchell began attending RAB meetings more than a year ago and



became a RAB member in February 2001. Her motivation for joining the board was her desire for first-hand information about the cleanup of Dunn Field. She wanted assurance that, once the cleanup is complete, Dunn Field will be environmentally safe.

"I have two children and I want to know that the water they drink and the air they breathe are as safe as possible," said Mitchell.

The grandchild of a former Depot employee, Mitchell has lived near Dunn Field since childhood and still lives in the Mason-Hays neighborhood. As a RAB member, Mitchell plans to encourage neighborhood youth to attend RAB meetings so they can understand why the Depot cleanup process is important for their future.

"I know what a dedicated and strong community can do, and I want the Depot community to know that their opinions and contributions really count," said Mitchell. □